GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Funds to Universities
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Government of Kerala has requested the Central Government seeking release of funds from the University Grants Commission (UGC) to tide over the financial crisis in the education sector in the State;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)
(a) to (c): No, Madam. The University Grants Commission(UGC) has informed that it has not received any request from Kerala State Government for release of funds from it to tide over the financial crisis in the education sector in the State. However, as per the extant provisions, UGC provides financial assistance to State Universities including Universities in the state of Kerala each year under its General Development Assistance Scheme. As per the information provided by UGC, six State Universities in Kerala have received Rs 33.99 crores during XIIth Five Year Plan (2012-17).
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